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Where can you watch fireworks this July 4?

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While Winchester hosts fireworks during Town Day, residents must head out to other locations for Independence Day. Here is a list of locations throughout Massachusetts to catch fireworks. WINCHESTER NEWS FILE PHOTO

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Massachusetts officials are asking residents to leave the fireworks to the professionals.

According to Mass.gov, "there have been more than 550 fires and explosions involving illegal fireworks in Massachusetts in the past five years. Six firefighters were injured in these incidents, and damages were estimated at nearly $1 million."

More than 200 people have been treated throughout the state for burns or other fireworks injuries between 2019 and 2023.

"Two dozen people were treated for severe burn injuries that covered 5% or more of the victim's body," Mass.gov states.

Massachusetts state law prohibits the possession, use, and sale of fireworks without a permit and certification. The law applies even if you buy them legally in another state, such as New Hampshire.

So, where can you go watch fireworks safely this Independence Day? Or even throughout the summer?

The following displays have been permitted by the state:

July 2

• Boston, 9 p.m. barge off Long Wharf. Boston Harborfest celebr
off July 2 at 12 p.m. and run through July 4.

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• Chatham, dusk, Veteran's Field, 150 Depot Road.

• Cohasset, 9:15 p.m., barge off Sandy Beach (rain date: 7/6)

• Foxborough, 9 p.m., Parking Lot 51 – Two Patriot Place

• Haverhill, 9:15 p.m., Riverside Park, 163 Lincoln Ave.

• Lexington, 9:30 p.m., Lexington HS Baseball Field – Worthen Road

• Mashpee, 9 p.m., Golf Course – 2 Red Brook Road (rain date: 7/6)

• Orleans, 9:15 p.m., barge off Rock Harbor Beach, 11 Bay View Drive (rain date: 7/6)

July 3

• Andover, 9:20 p.m., Andover High School, 80 Shawsheen Road (rain date: 7/6)

• Attleboro, 9 p.m., Hayward Field, 73 North Ave. (rain date: 7/19)

• Fitchburg, 9:30 p.m., 46 Pratt Road

• Freetown, 9 p.m., Assonet Burial Grounds (rain date: 7/12)

• Gloucester, 9:30 p.m., Fort Area – Stage Fort Park, 1 Hough Ave. (rain date: 7/5)

• Hadley, 9:15 p.m., 300 Stadium Drive (rain date: 7/6)

• Lawrence, 9:30 p.m., field across from high school, 71 North Pa
(rain date: 7/6)

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• Lynn, 9 p.m., barge near Red Rock, 76 Marine Blvd. (rain date: 7/5)

• Mashpee, 9:15 p.m., golf course, 130 Willowbend Drive (rain date: 7/5)

• Mattapoisett, 9 p.m., Golf Course Driving Range, 63 County Road (rain date: 7/19)

• Needham, 9:30 p.m., Needham HS parking lot, 609 Webster St.

• New Bedford, 9 p.m., barge in New Bedford Harbor

• Pittsfield, 9 p.m., Camp Winadu, 700 Churchill St.

• Randolph, 9:30 p.m., Randolph HS Baseball Field, 70 Memorial Pkwy.

• Rutland, 9:20 p.m., behind ballpark at Marsh Field, 17 Pommogussett Road

• Sharon, 9:30 p.m., barge on Lake Massapoag, 196 Pond St. (rain date: 7/6)

• South Deerfield, 8:45 p.m., open field at Tree House Brewing, 1 Community Place (rain date: 7/12)

• South Hadley, 9:30 p.m., 100 Mosier St. (rain date: 7/5)

• Tewksbury, 9:30 p.m., 286 Livingston St. (rain date: 7/6)

• Walpole, 9:30 p.m., Joe Morgan Memorial Field, 220 School St. (rain date: 7/6)

• Webster, 9 p.m., Memorial Beach – Thompson Road (rain date: 7/6)

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• Weymouth, 9:15 p.m., barge off Wessagusett Beach

• Worcester, 9 p.m., Institute Park, 82 Salisbury St.

• Worcester, post game, Outfield Polar Park – Polar Park Stadium

July 4

• Acton, 9:30 p.m., behind Nara Park, 25 Ledge Rock Way (rain date: TBD)

• Agawam, 9:30 p.m., Six Flags Amusement Park, Picnic Grove, 1623 Main St. (rain date: 7/11, 12 or 13)

• Amesbury, 9:30 p.m., Woodsom Farm, 223 Lions Mouth Road (rain date: 7/5)

• Bellingham, 9 p.m., 60 Blackstone St. (rain date: 7/6)

• Beverly, 9:15 p.m., barge 800' off West Beach, 121 West St. (rain date: 7/5)

• Boston, 9:40 p.m., five barges in Charles River (rain date: 7/5) The Boston Pops Fireworks Spectacular takes place from 7-10 p.m. at the DCR Hatch Shell on the Esplanade, 47 David G. Mugar Way

• Bridgewater, 9:30 p.m., Legion Field, 200 South St.

• Edgartown, 9:15 p.m., Edgartown Harbor (rain date: 7/5)

• Fall River, 9:30 p.m., barge in Taunton River, 1338 Davol St. (rain date: 7/5)

• Falmouth, 9 p.m., barge off Falmouth Beach, Gifford Street (rain date: 7/5)

• Greenfield, 9:20 p.m., 89 Wisdom Way (rain date: 7/5)

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• Harwich, 9:15 p.m., three mini barges off Wequassett Inn

• Lowell, 9 p.m., pedestrian walkway, Aiken Street (rain date: 7/5)

• Marblehead, 9:15 p.m., barge in Marblehead Harbor, Commercial Street Wharf (rain date: 7/5)

• Nahant, 9 p.m., Bailey's Point Park, Bass Point Road (rain date: 7/6)

• Nantucket, 9 p.m., barge off Jetties Beach (rain date: 7/5)

• Newton, 9:30 p.m., Albemarle Field, 250 Albemarle Road (rain date: 7/5)

• North Adams, 9:15 p.m., 400 Curran Highway (rain date: 7/5)

• Pittsfield, 9 p.m., Wahcona Park, 105 Wahcona St. (rain date: 7/5)

• Plymouth, 9:30 p.m., three mini barges in Plymouth Harbor, Town Wharf

• Provincetown, 9 p.m., MacMillian Pier, 24 MacMillian Wharf (rain date: 7/5)

• Salem, 9 p.m., Derby Wharf, 160 Derby St. (rain date: 8/2)

• Springfield, 9:30 p.m., Memorial Bridge (rain date: 7/5)

• Wakefield, 9:30 p.m., end of Beacon Street (rain date: 7/6)

• Williamstown, 9:15 p.m., 215 South St. (rain date: TBD)

• Winthrop, 9:20 p.m., Coughlin Park, 30 Bay View Ave. (rain date: 7/5)

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July 5

• Agawam, 9:30 p.m., Six Flags Amusement Park, Picnic Grove, 1623 Main St. (rain date: 7/11, 12 or 13)

• Charlton, 9:15 p.m., Tree House Brewing Co., 129 Sturbridge Road (rain date: 7/12)

• East Brookfield, 9:15 p.m., Old Landfill – Connie Mack Drive (rain date: 7/6)

• Franklin, 10 p.m., High School, 218 Oak St.

• Greenfield, 9:35 p.m., Poet's Seat Tower, Mountain Road (rain date: 7/6)

• Methuen, 9:30 p.m., Exit 4 off-ramp of MA-Route 213 – Pleasant Valley Street (rain date: 7/12)

• Middleborough, 10 p.m., Battis Field/Pierce Playground – Jackson Street (rain date: 7/6)

• Milford, 9 p.m., Clark Island (rain date: 7/11)

• Osterville, 9:30 p.m., two barges in Tims Cove – Cove Lane (rain date: 7/6)

• Salisbury, 10: 15 p.m., Salisbury Beach – barge 1000' ft from shore

• Wrentham, 9 p.m., barge on Lake Pearl, 41 Woolford Road

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• Groton, 9 p.m., Groton Field – Playground Road (rain date: 7/8)

For more fireworks times statewide later this summer, visit Mass.gov.

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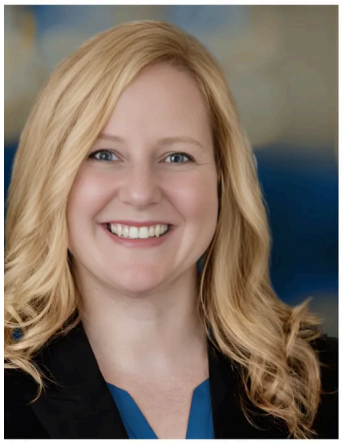

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'Chicago: Teen Edition' dances onto the Winchester High School stage

By Talia Ho | Correspondent Fame. Fortune. And all that jazz. This spring, Winchester High School presents "Chicago: Teen Edition," a bold musical that explores celebrity culture, media manipulation, and the cost of ambition. Set in the 1920s, this iconic production is sure to leave the audience wanting more. Performances will

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Ripley Chapel in Winchester presents ‘Syldason: You Are Welcome Here’

The following was submitted by the Ripley Chapel at First Congregational Church: On Friday, March 13, beginning at 7:30 p.m., live in-person and live streamed from the stunning Ripley Chapel at First Congregational Church, Winchester, 21 Church St., join in with Syldason, a duo concert featuring Sylvie Zakarian,

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